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Letter dated 27 February 2013 from the President of the Security Council to the Secretary-General

I have the honour to inform you that your letter dated 25 February 2013 (S/2013/113) transmitting the letter dated 12 February 2013 from the Interim President of Mali, Mr. Dioncounda Traoré, on the efforts of the international community to assist Mali, has been brought to the attention of the members of the Security Council.

The Security Council takes note of the reference by the Interim President, in his letter, to the transformation of the African-led International Support Mission in Mali into a United Nations peacekeeping operation. In this context, the Council requests that you include recommendations, for the Council's consideration, on options for establishing a United Nations peacekeeping operation, including the size, mandate and composition of such a United Nations operation, in your forthcoming report on Mali due before 20 March 2013, or earlier, if possible, in accordance with paragraph 24 of Council resolution 2085 (2012), adopted on 20 December 2012.

(*Signed*) **Kim** Sook
President of the Security Council

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